

Helminths of freshwater fishes in the reservoir of the Hydroelectric Power Station of Itaipu, Paraná, Brazil

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ABSTRACT: This study presents results from several expeditions in 1985, 1991-1995 and 2003 to the Medium Paraná River in the section that begins below the Itaipu Dam and ends at the trinational border of Brazil, Argentina and Paraguay, in the lotic and lentic zones of the reservoir of the Hydroelectric Power Station of "Itaipu Binacional" (localities Foz do Iguaçu, Santa Helena and Guaira). Ninety-eight species of freshwater fishes belonging to 22 families were examined for helminths. A host-parasite list based on Acanthocephala, Cestoda, Digenea, Monogenea and Nematoda collected from the region in question is provided. New host records are presented for Digenea and Nematoda. The Monogenea and Acanthocephala are being studied and will be published in a later paper, but are referred in the host-parasite list, in order to demonstrate the parasitism in the fishes of the reservoir. The results are compared with those presented by other authors from the Upper Paraná River.

Introduction

The Paraná River, the tenth longest river in the world, is a river in south-central South America, running through Brazil, Paraguay and Argentina. Together with its tributaries, it forms the larger of the two river systems that drain into the La Plata River, making it the second largest river system in South America, outranked only by the Amazon River. Along the course of the Paraná is the Itaipu Dam, the largest hydroelectric power station in the world, which creates a massive, deep reservoir behind it. Itaipu Binacional is a binational company undertaking run by Brazil and Paraguay at the Paraná River on the border section between the two countries.

Fish parasites in the Medium Paraná River basin have remained little known to date. This study reports results from several expeditions in 1985, 1991-1995 and 2003 to the Medium Paraná River in the section that begins below the Itaipu Dam and ends at the trinational border of Brazil, Argentina and Paraguay, and in the reservoir of the Hydroelectric Power Station of Itaipu Binacional, in the localities of Foz do Iguaçu (lentic zone, next to the dam at the end of the reservoir), Santa Helena (transition zone in the middle of the reservoir) and Guaira (lotic zone at the beginning of the reservoir) (Figure 1). A host-parasite list is presented in Table 1. The results were compared with those obtained by other authors in the floodplain of the Upper Paraná River and recently published in a checklist by Takemoto et al. (2009).

MATERIALS AND METHODS

A total of 1,142 freshwater fish specimens belonging to 98 species and 22 families were examined for helminths. These were caught using gill nets in the Medium Paraná River in the localities of Foz do Iguaçu (25°32'52"

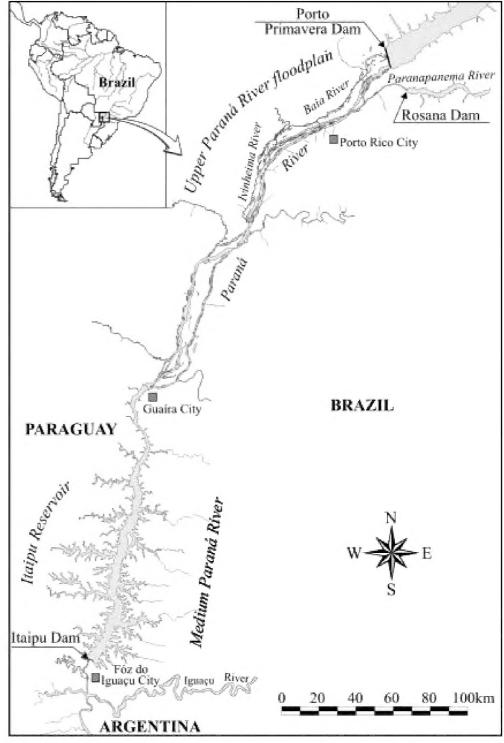


FIGURE 1. Location of the Medium Paraná River with the reservoir of the Hydroelectric Power Station of Itaipu and Upper Paraná River floodplain, Brazil.

N, 54°35'17" W), lentic zone, at the end of the Itaipu reservoir of the Hydroelectric Power Station of Itaipu Binational, Paraná State, Brazil; Santa Helena (24°51'37" N, 54°19'58" W), transition zone, in the middle of the reservoir; and Guaira (24°04'48" N, 54°15'21" W), lotic zone, at the beginning of the reservoir. Parasites collected were processed in accordance with the methodology used for each group. The names of fishes accepted as valid follow the most recent bibliography (Froese and Pauly 2010; Graça and Pavanelli 2007) and sometimes do not correspond to the names of parasite references. Material studied was deposited in the Helminthological Collection of the Oswaldo Cruz Institute, Fiocruz, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Of the 98 fish species examined from the Medium Paraná River, lotic and lentic zones of the reservoir of the Hydroelectric Power Station of Itaipu, parasitism by helminths was verified in 78 species. Nematoda was the most prevalent group, identified in 63% of the fishes examined, followed by Digenea (47.4%), Monogenea (45.4%), Cestoda (19.5%) and Acanthocephala (14.4%).

Forty-eight species of Nematoda were recorded and nine of them were found in new hosts (Table 1): Cucullanus sp. (if), Goezia sp., Ichthyouris laterifilamenta Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1992, Paracamallanus amazonensis Ferraz and Thatcher, 1992, *Procamallanus* (*Procamallanus*) annipetterae Kohn and Fernandes, 1988, Procamallanus (Spirocamallanus) inopinatus Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928, *Procamallanus* (Spirocamallanus) sp., Raphidascaris (Sprentascaris) mahnerti (Petter and Cassone, 1984) and *Rondonia rondoni* Travassos, 1920 (if).

Thirty four species of Digenea were recovered, 11 of them in new hosts (Table 1): Crassicutis cichlasomae Manter, 1936, Dadaytrema oxycephala (Diesing, 1836), Dendrorchis sp., Genarchella astyanactis (Watson, 1976), Genarchella tropica (Manter, 1936), Magnivitellinum simplex Kloss, 1966, Paralecithobohtrys brasiliensis Freitas, 1947, Prosthenhystera obesa (Diesing, 1850), Saccocoelioides godoyi Kohn and Fróes, 1986, Saccocoelioides magnus Szidat, 1954 and Saccocoelioides nanii Szidat, 1954.

Eighteen species of Cestoda and ten of Acanthocephala were found in hosts already reported. Forty-four of the 98 species of fishes examined were parasitized with Monogenea and will be published in a later paper. The species of Acanthocephala referred herein were subject of a master thesis and are referred in another paper (Lopes et al. 2011).

Some morphological and taxonomical data based on these materials have already been published by Baptista-Farias et al. (2001), Cohen and Kohn (2008a, b), Cohen and Kohn (2009) Cohen et al. (2001), Fernandes and Kohn (2001), Kohn and Fernandes (1994; 2006), Kohn et al. (1995; 1999; 2000; 2003), Lopes et al. (2011) and Moravec et al. (1990; 1992a, b, c; 1993 a, b, c; 1994 a, b; 1997).

The Medium Paraná River underwent a great impact when changing from a lotic to a lentic environment. In addition, the natural barrier known as Sete Quedas was eliminated, because it was submerged in the reservoir when the Itaipu Dam was built. Thus, fish species that

had only lived in Sete Quedas (Guaira) below were able to climb and explore a new environment.

The flood plain of the Upper Paran'a River was consideredthe last free stretch of the Paraná River. However, it has undergone severe changes in its system of flood and drought, since hydroelectric plants were built upstream and now control the water level of the river. Considering these changes, all the fauna, including the parasites of fishes, may be affected. Oscillations in the hydrologic flow, such as occur in floodplains, may influence the occurrence and size of fish parasite infrapopulations (Dogiel 1970). All these observed impacts on the floodplain can directly and indirectly affect the parasitic fauna of fish. Endoparasites, which typically have a complex life cycle, can be affected by changes in environments where the intermediate hosts live. Some species of the organisms that can serve as intermediate hosts may be favored and others may even be eliminated from the environment. Ectoparasites, those which are in direct contact with the environment, suffer directly from the changes caused by these impacts.

In the Medium Paraná River, 78 fish species out of 98 examined were parasitized by helminths. Nematoda was the most prevalent group, present in 63% of the fishes examined, followed by Digenea (47.4%), Monogenea (45.4%), Cestoda (19.5%) and Acanthocephala (14.4%). Since 1986, in the floodplain of the Upper Paraná River, 72 fish species have been examined and 278 species of helminths were recorded as parasitizing these. Monogeneans were identified with the largest number of species (95), followed by Digenea (73), Nematoda (71), Cestoda (47) and Acanthocephala (18). A checklist of fish hosts and their parasites was published recently by Takemoto *et al.* (2009).

In general, nematodes exhibit a low degree of host specificity. According to Eiras et al. (2010), the nematode Procamallanus (Spirocamallanus) inopinatus has already been identified in 51 fish species in Brazil. In the Medium Paraná River, P. (S.) inopinatus confirmed a low degree of host specificity and was identified in 15 species of fish (Astyanax bimaculatus bimaculatus, A. b. lacustris, Brycon orbignyanus, Catathyridium jenynsii, Crenicichla haroldoi, Leporellus vittatus, Leporinus copelandii, L. friderici, Pterodoras granulosus, Serrasalmus marginatus, S. spilopleura, Trachydoras paraguayensis, Tracheliopterus galeatus, Pimelodus sp. and Potamotrygon motoro). In the floodplain of the Upper Paraná River, this species was recorded in 10 host species (Hoplias aff. malabaricus, Leporinus elongatus, L. obtusidens, L. lacustris, Metynnis lippincottianus, Pseudoplatystoma corruscans, Serrasalmus marginatus, S. maculatus, Schizodon borellii and *Trachydoras paraguayensis*). Among all these species, only S. marginatus and T. paraguayensis were common in both environments studied.

Immature forms of nematodes of the family Anisakidae (Contracaecum sp., Hysterothylacium sp. and Anisakidae gen. sp.) were found in 24 fish species examined in the localities studied on the Medium Paraná River. In the floodplain of the Upper Paraná River, 17 hosts were reported to be parasitized by Contracaecum and/or Hystherothylacium larvae. Species of the Anisakidae deserve special attention; they parasitize fish as larvae, using them as intermediate or paratenic hosts and are

known to be agents of parasitoses in humans. However, to date, no reports of such zoonotic diseases have been made in the region. This is probably because the parasites are large and mainly parasitize the mesentery, which is not used as food by people.

Some species of Digenea also exhibit a low degree of host specificity. The metacercariae of Austrodiplostomum compactum, parasitic in the eyes of fish, were recorded for the first time in *Plagioscion squamosissimus* from the reservoir of the Hydroelectric Power Station of Itaipu by Kohn et al. (1995). In the floodplain, this larva was reported in the same host species by Pavanelli et al. (1997), as well as in some other host species: Hoplias aff. malabaricus, Satanoperca pappaterra, Crenicichla britskii, Cichla kelberi (= Cichla monoculus), Cichlasoma paranaense (Machado et al. 2005). Yamada et al. (2008) also reported it as parasitising Hypostomus regani, Schizodon borellii, Serrasalmus marginatus and Auchenipterus osteomystax. This parasite is very common in the "corvina" P. squamosissimus. Machado et al. (2005) reported a prevalence of 95% and recorded 397 parasites in one fish. Due to this high prevalence, this trematode species was probably introduced together with its definitive host.

The prevalence was also relatively high in *S. pappaterra* (71.9%) and in *C. kelberi* (65%). This parasite is ecologically important since it lives in the eyes of fish, damaging their vision and making them susceptible to predators. Thus, the parasite can complete its life cycle.

Among the hosts examined, 47 helminth species were common in both sampling sites. However, fishes from the Upper Paraná River floodplain showed a greater species diversity of helminth parasites. This difference probably occurred because, despite all the above-mentioned changes that are occurring in the floodplain, all animals necessary for completing the life cycles of the respective helminths are present in this environment. In the Itaipu reservoir, the impact was greater following the impoundment and many organisms may have disappeared. Some of them may act as intermediate hosts of helminth parasites.

The differences in the taxonomic diversification of the parasite assemblages of different fish species were mainly related to the environment, trophic level and temperature (Luque and Poulin 2008). Therefore, the Upper Paraná River floodplain, characterized by the presence of a wide variety of habitats and species, favors the occurrence of a greater diversity of fish parasites.

TABLE 1. List of helminths of freshwater fishes recorded in reservoir of the Hydroelectric Power Station of Itaipu, Parana, Brazil. E/P = number of examined / parasitized hosts, I = number of infected hosts by each species, A = Acanthocephala, C = Cestoda, D = Digenea, M = Monogenea, N = Nematoda, if = immature form, mc = metacercariae.

HOSTS	COMMON NAME	E/P	I		HELMINTHS
Acestrorhynchidae					
			1	N	Contracaecum sp. (if)
Acestrorhynchus lacustris	peixe-cachorro	11/6	4	N	<i>Travassosnema travassosi paranaensis</i> Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes 1993
			2	D	Rhipidocotyle gibsoni Kohn and Fernandes, 1994
			3	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
Achiridae					
			3	N	Anisakidae gen. sp. (if)
Catathyridium jenynsii [= Achirus jenynsii]	linguado	19/4	1	N	Procamallanus (Spirocamallanus) inopinatus Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
			1	D	Prosorhynchoides rioplatensis (Szidat, 1970)
Anostomidae					
			2	N	Anisakidae gen. sp. (if)
Leporellus vittatus	solteira	11/4	1	N	Procamallanus (S.) inopinatus Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
			2	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
T	. • .	0.15	4	N	Procamallanus (S.) inopinatus Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
Leporinus copelandii	piau	9/5	1	Α	Acanthocephala gen. sp.
Leporinus elongatus	piapara	3/2	1	D	Genarchella astyanactis (Watson, 1976) (new host record and first report in South America)
		•	1	D	Saccocoelioides magnus (Szidat, 1954) (new host record)
			9	N	Procamallanus (S.) inopinatus Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
Leporinus friderici	piava	15/12	2	N	Goezia sp.
			3	D	Saccocoelioides godoyi Kohn and Fróes, 1986
			1	D	Diplostomidae gen. sp. (mc)
Leporinus obtusidens	piapara	5/5	3	D	Sanguinicola sp. (referred as Plehniella sp. by Fernandes and Kohn, 2001)
			1	С	Cestoda gen. sp.
Cahizadan hayallii	niova	0.72	1	N	Anisakidae gen. sp. (if)
Schizodon borellii	piava	9/2	2	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
			1	N	Capillariidae gen. sp. 1 of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1992
Sahina dan faqaistus	Diama	F /F	2	N	Dichelyne leporini Petter, 1989
Schizodon fasciatus	Piava	5/5	1	N	Procamallanus(S.) iheringi Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
			4	Α	Octospiniferoides incognita Schmidt and Huggins, 1973
Schizodon knerii	piava	7/3	2	N	Chalcinotrema thatcheri Kohn, Fernandes and Gibson, 1999

TABLE 1. CONTINUED.

HOSTS	COMMON NAME	E/P	I		HELMINTHS
			1	D	Paralecithobothrys brasiliensis Freitas, 1947 (new host record)
Schizodon knerii	piava	7/3	2	D	Saccocoelioides magnus Szidat, 1954 (new host record)
Schizodon Kherii	piava	7/3	2	Α	Acanthocephala gen. sp.
			1	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
Auchenipteridae					
Ageneiosus militaris			2	N	Cucullanus (Cucullanus) pinnai pinnai Travassos, Artigas and Pereira 1928
[=Ageneiosus valenciennesi]	manduvê, bagre	10/4	1	N	Goezia sp. (if) of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
			1	D	Clinostomidae (mc)
Auchenipterus osteomystax			6	N	Cucullanus brevispiculus Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
(referred as Auchenipterus	surumanha	68/16	4	D	Microrchis oligovitellum Lunaschi, 1987
nuchalis by Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993)			9	M	Monogenea gen.sp.
			1	N	Contracaecum sp. 2 (if) of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
			1	N	Goezia sp. (if)
					Procamallanus (S.) inopinatus Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
Trachelyopterus galeatus	cangati	24/12	1	N	(new host record)
[= Parauchenipterus galeatus]			8	D	Microrchis oligovitellum Lunaschi, 1987
			1	С	Cangatiella arandasi Pavanelli and Machado, 1991
			5	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
Characidae					
			1	N	Procamallanus (S.) inopinatus Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
Astyanax bimaculatus bimaculatus [=Astyanax bimaculatus]	tambiú	31/12	4	D	Magnivitellinum simplex Kloss, 1966
[-Astyanax bimacalatus]			8	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
			1	N	Cosmoxynemoides aguirrei Travassos, 1949
			1	N	Procamallanus (S.) inopinatus Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
Astyanax bimaculatus lacustris	tambiú	19/4	1	N	Travnema travnema Pereira, 1938
		•	3	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
Astyanax eigenmanniorum	tambiú, lambari	11/3	3	N	Travnema sp.
	piracanjuba	7/2	1	N	Anisakidae gen. sp.
Brycon hilarii			1	N	Goezia brasiliensis Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1994
Dry con miar ii	piracanjuba	, , 2	1	N	Goezia brevicaeca Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1994
			2	N	Goezia sp. (new host record)
Brycon orbignyanus	Piracanjuba, matrinchão	12/4	2	N	Procamallanus (S.) inopinatus Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
Diyeon or bigityunus					(new host record)
			1	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
			4	N	Anisakidae gen. sp. (if)
Cunonatamus kinagidi	noivo cochomo coicango	0.76	1	N	Procamallanus (S.) sp. (new host record)
Cynopotamus kincaidi	peixe-cachorro, saicanga	8/6	1	D	Prosthenhystera obesa (Diesing, 1850) (new host record)
			2	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
Galeocharax humeralis	cigarra	5/2	1	N	Contracaecum sp. 1 (if) of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
			2	N	Contracaecum sp. 1 (if) of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
Galeocharax knerii	Cigarra, cadela	24/4	1	N	Hysterothylacium sp. (if) of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
		,	2	С	Cestoda gen. sp. (if)
			2	N	Goezia sp. (if)
			1	N	Rondonia rondoni Travassos, 1920
			1	N	Spectatus sp. (juvenile female) of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
Piaractus mesopotamicus	pacu	29/26	2	D	Curumai curumai Travassos, 1961
i iui uctus mesopotumicus	puou	29/26	3	D	Dadaytrema oxycephala (Diesing, 1836)
			1	C	Cestoda gen. sp.
			23		
				M	Monogenea gen.sp. Magnivitallinum simpley Kloss, 1966 (now bost record)
Roeboides paranensis	dentudo	36/21	12 7	D M	Magnivitellinum simplex Kloss, 1966 (new host record)
			7	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
Salminus brasiliensis			1	N	Acuariinae gen. sp. (if) of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
[=Salminus maxillosus]	dourado	26/21	9	N	Hysterothylacium sp. (if) of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
			1	N	Paracapillaria piscicola (Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928)

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HOSTS	COMMON NAME	E/P	I		HELMINTHS
			13	D	Neocladocystis intestinalis (Vaz, 1932)
			2	D	Prosthenhystera obesa (Diesing, 1850)
Salminus brasiliensis	dourado	26/21	9	D	Rhipidocotyle jeffersoni (Kohn, 1970)
[=Salminus maxillosus]	dourado	20/21	1	D	Thometrema overstreeti (Brooks, Mayes and Thorson,1979)
			6	C	Cestoda gen. sp. (if)
			12	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
			1	N	Contracaecum sp. (if)
			1	N	Cucullanus sp. 3 of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
Serrasalmus marginatus	piranha	58/17	4	N	Goezia sp. (if) of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
			3	N	Procamallanus (S.) inopinatus Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
			7	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
			3	N	Procamallanus (S.) inopinatus Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
Serrasalmus spilopleura	piranha	12/6	3	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
			2	N	Anisakidae gen. sp. (if)
Triportheus angulatus	sardinha	6/4	1	N	Procamallanus (S.) sp.
Triportneus ungulutus	Saruillia	0/4			
			3	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
			1	N	Anisakidae gen. sp. (if)
			2	N	Procamallanus (Procamallanus) peraccuratus Pinto, Fábio, Noronha and Rolas, 1976
Cichla monoculus	tucunaré	7/6	1	D	Diplostomidae gen. sp. (mc)
			3	C	Proteocephalus macrophallus (Diesing, 1850)
			4	С	Proteocephalus microscopicus (Woodland, 1935)
			1		
Crenicichla haroldoi	joaninha	1/1	1	N	Procamallanus (S.) inopinatus Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
			1	C	Cestoda gen. sp. (if)
			1	N	Contracaecum sp. 1 (if) of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
			2	N	Hysterothylacium sp. (if) of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
Crenicichla niederleini			34	N	Procamallanus (P.) peraccuratus Pinto, Fábio, Noronha and Rolas,
[referred as <i>C. lepidota</i> by	joaninha	47/44	2	D	1976
Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993]	·		3	D	Crassicutis cichlasomae Manter, 1936 (new host record)
23301			18 g	D	Diplostomidae gen. sp. (mc)
			8	D	Neascus sp. (mc)
			9	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
			2	N	Hysterothylacium gen. sp. (if)
			2	N	Procamallanus (P.) peraccuratus Pinto, Fábio, Noronha and Rolas, 1976
			1	N	Procamallanus (S.) sp.
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Geophagus brasiliensis	cará	18/11	1	N	Raphidascaris (Sprentascaris) sp. (if) of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
			5	D	Crassicutis cichlasomae Manter, 1936
			2	D	Diplostomidade gen. sp. (mc)
			2	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
Curimatidae					
			2	N	Cosmoxynema vianai Travassos, 1949
			1	N	Cosmoxynemoides aguirrei Travassos, 1949
Cunhocharay ailhort			1	N	Guyanema sp. of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
Cyphocharax gilbert [=Pseudocurimata gilberti]	saguiru	5/5	2	N	Travnema araujoi Fernandes, Campos and Artigas, 1983
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			1	D M	Zonocotyle bicaecata Travassos, 1948
			1	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
	S	- ·-	1	N	Cosmoxynemoides sp.
Cyphocharax nagelii	saguiru	3/3	2	D	Diplostomidae gen. sp. (mc)
			2	D	Saccocoelioides godoyi Kohn and Fróes, 1986 (new host record)
			1	N	Ichthyouris laterifilamenta Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1992 (new
Potamorhina squamoralevis	saguiru, papa-terra	5/4	2	3.6	host record)
			3	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
Satanoperca pappaterra	cará	9/3	1	C	Cyclophillidae gen. sp.
		,	2	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
Steindachnerina elegans	saguiru	5/2	1	N	Cosmoxynemoides aguirrei Travassos, 1949
[=Pseudocurimata elegans]	54 5 411 4	3/2	1	N	Travnema travnema Pereira, 1938

TABLE 1. CONTINUED.

Steindachnerina elegans			_		
[=Pseudocurimata elegans]	saguiru	5/2	1	A	Acanthocephala gen. sp.
Steindachnerina insculpta	saguiru	3/2	2	D	Diplostomidade gen.sp (mc)
Cynodontidae					
			3	N	Contracaecum sp. 1 (if) of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
			1	N	Contracaecum sp. 2 (if) of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
			1	N	Cucullanus sp. (if) (new host record)
	peixe-cadela,	10 (01	1	N	Goezia sp. (if) of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
Rhaphiodon vulpinus	dourado- cachorro	48/31	2	N	Guyanema raphiodoni Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
			16	N	Hysterothylacium sp. (if) of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
			1	N	Rondonia rondoni Travassos, 1920 (if) (new host record)
			1 16	D M	Saccocoelioides nanii Szidat, 1954 (new host record)
Doradidae			10	IVI	Monogenea gen.sp.
Oxydoras knerii	armado, abotoado	3/1	1	Α	Paracavisoma impudica (Diesing, 1851)
DAYGOTUS KITETTI	armado, abotoado	3/1	2	N	Cucullanus pinnai pterodorasi Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1992
			1	N	Goezia sp.
			1	N	Hysterothylacium sp.(if)
			2	N	Neoparaseuratum travassosi Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1992
			2	N	Paracamallanus amazonensis Ferraz and Thatcher, 1992
D	1 1 1	25 (22	3	N	Procamallanus (S.) inopinatus Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
Pterodoras granulosus	armado, abotoado	25/22	14	N	Rondonia rondoni Travassos, 1920
			3	D	Curumai curumai Travassos, 1961
			6	D	Dadaytrema oxycephala (Diesing, 1836)
					Monticellia belavistensis Pavanelli, Machado, Takemoto, Massado an
			3	С	Santos, 1994
			12	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
	armadinho	21/19	12	N	Ichthyouris laterifilamenta Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1992
			10	N	Neoparaseuratum travassosi Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1992
Trachydoras paraguayensis			1	N	Parasynodontisia petterae Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1992
			15	N	Procamallanus (S.) inopinatus Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
			3	N	Rondonia rondoni Travassos, 1920
n and a table			1	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
Erythrinidae			1	NI	Continuos and 1 (if)
			1	N	Contracaecum sp. 1 (if)
Hoplias malabaricus	tualua	20/10	1	N	Guyanema raphiodoni Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
	traíra	20/10	3	D D	Diplostomidae gen. sp. (mc) Pseudosellacotyla lutzi (Freitas, 1941)
			1	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
Heptapteridae			1	IVI	моновенеа ден. ър.
repulperiude			1	N	Hysterothylacium sp. (if)
			1	N	Cucullanus (C.) pinnai pinnai Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
Pimelodella gracilis	mandi, roncador	5/3	2	N	Rondonia rondoni Travassos, 1920 (new host record)
. into content gracino		5/5	1	С	Cestoda gen. sp.
			1	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
			2	N	Brasilnema pimelodellae Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1992
			1	N	Cucullanus pimelodellae Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
Pimelodella lateristriga	mandi-chorão, mandi-roncador	2/2	2	N	Procamallanus (Spirocamallanus) pimelodus Pinto, Fábio, Noronh and Rolas, 1974
	manar roncauor		1	D	Parspina argentinensis (Szidat, 1954)
			1	С	Cestoda gen. sp.
	- 2-3-1		1	D	Acanthostomum gnerii Szidat, 1954
2	bagre	1/1	1	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
Rhamdia quelen					
Rhamdia quelen Loricariidae					
	cascudo-viola, cascudo- ferro	1/1	1	M	Monogenea gen.sp.

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HOSTS	COMMON NAME	E/P	I		HELMINTHS
			1	N	Nematoda gen. sp.
			2	N	Procamallanus (Procamallanus) annipetterae Kohn and Fernandes
Hypostomus regani	cascudo	11/9		Б	1988
[= Plecostomus regani]		,	3	D	Crassicutis intermedius (Szidat, 1954)
			2	A	Acanthocephala gen. sp.
			6	M	Monogenea gen.sp.
Hypostomus ternetzi	cascudo	4/1	1	M	Monogenea gen.sp.
Hypostomus sp. 1	cascudo-pintado	7/1	1	M	Monogenea gen.sp.
			2	N	Procamallanus (P.) annipetterae Kohn and Fernandes, 1988
			1	N	Raphidascaris (Sprentascaris) hypostomi (Petter and Cassone, 1984)
Hypostomus sp. 2	cascudo	30/11	3	D	Crassicutis intermedius (Szidat, 1954)
		,	1	D	Diplostomidae gen. sp. (mc)
			2	A	Gorytocephalus sp
			1	N	Anisakidae gen. sp. (if)
			1	N	Cucullanus (C.) pinnai pinnai Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
	,	4.70	1	N	Raphidascaris (S.) mahnerti (Petter and Cassone, 1984)
loricaria sp.	cascudo	4/3	2	D	Crassicutis cichlasomae Manter, 1936 (new host record)
			1	D	Diplostomidae gen. sp. (mc)
			1	Α	Acanthocephala gen. sp.
			2	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
			7	N	Raphidascaris (S.) mahnerti (Petter and Cassone, 1984)
Loricariichthys platymetopon	cascudo-chinelo	8/8	2	D	Diplostomidae gen. sp. (mc)
			1	M	Monogenea gen.sp.
oricariichthys rostratus	cascudo-chinelo	7/6	4	N	Raphidascaris (S.) mahnerti (Petter and Cassone, 1984) (new hos record)
		7/0	1	D	Diplostomidae gen. sp. (mc)
			1	N	Hysterothylacium sp. (if) of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
	cascudo	25/21	22	N	Raphidascaris (S.) mahnerti (Petter and Cassone, 1984)
Loricariichthys sp.			4	D	Diplostomidae gen. sp. (mc)
			2	C	Cestoda gen. sp. (if)
			7	N	Ichthyouris brasiliensis Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1992
			,	14	Procamallanus (P.) annipetterae Kohn and Fernandes, 1988 (new
Megalancistrus parananus			3	N	host record)
=Megalancistrus aculeatus;	cascudo-abacaxi	11/8	1	D	Dadaytrema sp.
Pterygoplichthys aculeatus]			1	D	Genarchella tropica (Manter, 1936) (new host record and first repor
					in South America)
			4	D	Saccocoelioides magnus Szidat, 1954 (new host record)
Pseudohemiodon laticeps	cascudo-chicote	2/2	2	N	Raphidascaris (S.) mahnerti (Petter and Cassone, 1984)
[=Loricaria laticeps]		,	1	D	Diplostomidae gen. sp. (mc)
Pterygoplichthys sp.	cascudo-pintado	1/1	1	D	Dendrorchis sp. (new host record)
Rhinelepis strigosa =Rhinelepis aspera]	cascudo-preto	6/3	1 1	N M	Parasynodontisia petterae Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1992 Monogenea gen.sp.
Parodontidae					
Apareiodon affinis	canivete	18/1	1	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
Pimelodidae		_0/2			
Bergiaria westermanni	mandi-beiçudo	5/3	2	Α	Acanthocephala gen. sp.
sergiaria westermanni	manui-berçuuo	3/3	1		•
Iomisomuhim alatarkan d	iumumaaa iadaa a	F /4	J	D	Sanguinicola sp. (as Pleniella sp. by Fernandes and Kohn, 2001)
Hemisorubim platyrhynchos jurupoc	jurupoca, jeripoca	5/4	3	C	Cestoda gen. sp.
			1	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
			8	N	Hysterothylacium sp. (if)
lypophthalmus edentatus	mapará	19/13	9	N	Paracamallanus amazonensis Ferraz and Thatcher, 1992
			1	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
			1	N	Goezia sp.
			5	N	Procamallanus (S.) pimelodus Pinto, Fábio, Noronha and Rolas, 1974
heringichthys labrosus	mandi	19/11	2	D	Auriculostoma platense (Szidat, 1954)
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			2	D	Parspina sp.

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HOSTS	COMMON NAME	E/P	I		HELMINTHS
Megalonema platanum	pati, bagre	4/2	1	N	Hysterothylacium sp. (if)
		•	1	D	Genarchella sp.
			7	N	Cucullanus (C.) pinnai pinnai Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
			1	N	Dichelyne pimelodi Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1997
			2	N	Procamallanus (S.) pimelodus Pinto, Fábio, Noronha and Rolas, 1974
Pimelodus maculatus	mandi	29/18	3	D	Auriculostoma platense (Szidat, 1954)
			1	C	Monticellia magna (Rego, Santos and Silva, 1974)
			5	Α	Neoechinorhynchus sp.
			6	M	Monogenea gen.sp.
			2	N	Cucullanus (C.) pinnai pinnai Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
Pimelodus ornatus	mandi	2/2	1	D	Genarchella genarchella Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
			2	N	Cucullanus (C.) pinnai pinnai Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
			1	N	Procamallanus (S.) inopinatus Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
			1	N	Raphidascaris (S.) sp.
	1.	40 (00	1	N	Raphidascaris (S.) sp. (if)
Pimelodus sp.	mandi	40/23	1	N	Rondonia rondoni Travassos, 1920
			2	D	Auriculostoma platense (Szidat, 1954)
			4	D	Diplostomidae gen. sp.
			1	Α	Acanthocephala gen. sp.
			10	M	Monogenea gen.sp.
	1 1 1	45.440	1	N	Oxyuroidea gen.sp.
Pinirampus pirinampu	barbado	17/10	9	С	Rudolphiella piranabu (Woodland, 1934)
Pseudopimelodus mangurus	iné nana hanna nana	2 /1	1	D	the aria atmosping it aria ai Transaca a 1040
=Pseudopimelodus roosevelti]	jaú-sapo, bagre-sapo	2/1	1	D	Iheringtrema iheringi Travassos, 1948
			1	N	Capillariidae gen. sp. 2 of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
			2	N	Contracaecum sp. 2 (if) of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
			4	N	Cucullanus pseudoplatystomae Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
		7/7	1	N	Goezia brasiliensis Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1994
			1	D	Clinostomum marginatum (Rudolphi, 1819) (if)
Decredon latrectoma acressagas	pintado, sorubim			D	
Seudoplatystoma corruscans	pintado, soi doini		1		Dadaytrema oxycephala (Diesing, 1836) (new host record)
			1	D	Diplostomidae sp. (mc)
			1	С	Choanoscolex abscissus (Riggenbach, 1895)
			1	С	Harriscolex kaparari (Woodland, 1935)
			1	C	Spasskyelina spinulifera (Woodland, 1935)
			1	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
			1	D	Sanguinicola sp.
	mandi-chinelo, chinelo,	= //	1	С	Goezeela nupeliensis Pavanelli and Rego, 1991
orubim lima	jurupoca	5/4	1	С	Manaosia bracodemoca Woodland, 1935
			3	С	Paramonticellia itaipuensis Pavanelli and Rego, 1991
			2	N	Cucullanus (C.) pinnai pinnai Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
			1	N	Cucullanus (Cucullanus) zungaro Vaz and Pereira, 1934
ungaro zungaro			1	N	Seuratoidea gen.sp. (if)
=Pseudopimelodus zungaro;	bagre-sapo, jaú	6/4	1	D	Iheringtrema iheringi Travassos, 1948
aulicea luetkeni]			2	С	Goezeella agostinhoi Pavanelli and Santos, 1992
			1	С	Megathylacus brooksi Rego and Pavanelli, 1985
			1	C	Peltidocotyle rugosa Diesing, 1850
			1	С	Travassiella avitellina Rego and Pavanelli, 1987
otamotrygonidae					
			1	N	Procamallanus (P.) peraccuratus Pinto, Fábio, Noronha and Rolas
			1	14	1976
			1	N	Procamallanus (S.) inopinatus Travassos, Artigas and Pereira, 1928
otamotrygon motoro	raia	5/3	1	D	Genarchella tropica (Manter, 1936) (new host record and first repor
			1	D	in South America)
			3	С	Cestoda gen. sp.
			1	M	Monogenea gen.sp.
Prochilodontidae					
Prochilodontidae Prochilodus lineatus	curimbatá	45/22	1	N	Contracaecum sp. 2 (if) of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993

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HOSTS	COMMON NAME	E/P	I		HELMINTHS
			10	D	Saccocoelioides nanii Szidat, 1954
Prochilodus lineatus		45 /22	10	D	Saccocoelioides elongatus Szidat, 1954
[=Prochilodus scrofa]	curimbatá	45/22	10	Α	Neoechinorhynchus (Neoechinorhynchus) curemai Noronha, 1973
			1	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
Rhamphichthyidae					
Rhamphichthys rostratus	peixe-espada	1/1	1	N	Cucullanus rhamphichthydis Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1997
Sciaenidae					
			1	N	Contracaecum sp. 1 (if) of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
			14	N	Hysterothylacium sp. (if) of Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1993
			1	N	Ichthyouris brasiliensis Moravec, Kohn and Fernandes, 1992
Plagioscion squamosissimus		(1/5)	5	N	Paracamallanus amazonensis Ferraz and Thatcher, 1992 (new host record)
	corvina	61/53	22	D	Austrodiplostomum compactum Lutz, 1928 (mc)
			1	D	Genarchella astyanactis (Watson, 1976) (new host record and first report in South America)
			1	C	Cestoda gen. sp. (if)
			9	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
Sternopygidae					
Eigenmania virescens	tuvira	5/1	1	M	Monogenea gen. sp.
Sternopygus macrurus	sarapó, tuvira	1/1	1	С	Cestoda gen. sp.

TABLE 2. List of freshwater fishes not parasitized recorded in reservoir of the Hydroelectric Power Station of Itaipu, Parana, Brazil.

FISHES	COMMON NAME	N
Anostomidae		
Leporinus sp.	piau, piava	10
Schizodon altoparanae	piau	4
Schizodon nasutus	piau, timborê	1
Auchenipteridae		
Ageneiosus inermis [=A. brevifilis]	perna de moça	1
Ageneiosus ucayalensis	mandubé, mandi-leiteiro	1
Callichthyidae		
Callichthys callichthys	cascudinho, tamoatá	1
Characidae		
Moenkhausia intermedia	viuvinha	2
Cichlidae		
Oreochromis niloticus niloticus	tilápia	1
Tilapia rendalli	tilápia	1
Curimatidae		
Curimata sp.	papa-terra	1
Doradidae		
Rhinodoras dorbignyi	armado	1
Gymonotidae		
Gymnotus carapo	sarapó, morenita	1
Loricariidae		
Ancistrus cirrhosus	cascudo-roseta	2
Hypostomus luteomaculatus	cascudo-amarelo	2
Hypostomus margaritifer	cascudo	1
Hypostomus sp. 3	cascudo-tarzã	5
Parodontidae		
Parodon tortuosus	canivete	6
Pimelodidae		
Pimelodus fur	mandi-prata	1
Rivulidae		
Rivulus sp.	charuto	1
Sternopygidae		
Eigenmannia trilineata	tuvira	1

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